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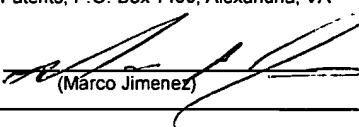
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 14, 2004, for which a response was due on August 14, 2004, and for which a two-month extension of time is requested to extend the time for response from August 14, 2004, to October 14, 2004.

Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group I (claims 1-8, 11-18 and 21-22) for continued examination. Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application. Applicants request examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit

Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 393032022300. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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